

Friends of Pontoosuc Lake Watershed Corp.
November 8, 2011, 12:00 PM, at BRPC office on Fenn St.

Attending:, Dick Cetti, Lee Hauge, Sean McKenney, and Gordon Zaks

Future Meeting Dates:

(Conference Call, Phone: 413-442-1521 ext 21)

A) Annual Meeting, May, 7:00 PM at the ITAM.

1) Weed Control:

The 2011 results were very as the conditions during application were almost ideal.

The 2012 plans are the same and we hope for the same results. The budgets in both towns are set.

2) Deep Drawdown:

A meeting with the joint conservation Commissions was held on September 22, at Pittsfield Town Hall.

The 2011-12 plans was approved for a five foot Drawdown until the end of January, then raise the level to three foot, and then raise to one foot by April first to accommodate fish spawning.

Gordon, Lee, Sean, Dick, and Jack will monitor the lake outflow six days a week.

The flow has been running between 80 and 110 cubic feet per second for the past 5 weeks.

3) Newsletters and website:

Due to higher cost we will change our e-mail service from Lenox Software to Constant Contact.

Gordon and Lee will work on this.

4) Goose Control:

The Department of Agriculture will Control the geese on Pontoosuc and Onota lakes for \$3,200.

It was unanimously agreed to go with the plan. The FOP/W, Friends of Onota, and the city of Pittsfield will all chip in about \$1,100 for the program.

The plan includes the addling of eggs and capturing 10 geese on each lake. We need to get permission from land owners to carry out the program.

Sean McKenney will talk to the Lakecrest Condo's; Dick Cetti has obtained the names of the people to contact in the Southwest Cove.

Gordon Zaks will find out the owner of the islands so they can be contacted.

Jim McGrath will put out an E-mail with the notice of the program.

5) Ongoing Activities:

A. J. Crea has purchased the Ponterril Boathouse.

Gordon E. Zaks, FOP/W clerk